## **Amendments to the Abstract**

Please add the following Abstract to this application.

- -- The present invention relates to a method of control of at least one electronic appliance with the aid of a distant device such as a remote control. The device comprises means of control, typically the keys of a keypad and a means of selection of an appliance from among several. The method comprises the following steps:
- activation of the device in a first mode where the means of control preferentially command the appliance selected by the means of selection,
- programming of at least one association between a means of control and an appliance, and
- activation of the associations so that the activation of a means of control commands the appliance associated during the programming step.
- The invention also relates to a device able to implement the method. --